REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1, 5, 9, 11, 17, 20, and 21 remain in this application. These claims correspond respectively to original claims 7, 5, 9, 16, 19, 20, and 21 which the examiner has indicated to be directed to allowable subject matter.

Claim 1, as amended, presents the subject matter of original claim 7 written in independent form. The length of the axial projection has been defined as, "having a length which establishes the separation between said connector body member and a board on which said connector apparatus is mounted when said projection engages said board".

Claim 5, as amended, presents the subject matter of original claim 5, modified to be compatible with the recitations of claim 1 from which it depends.

Claim 9, now dependent on amended claim 17, has been amended to include in conjunction with the parent claim, the limitations of original claim 9 which was indicated to include allowable subject matter.

Claim 11, as amended, is claim 16 written in independent form including the limitations of claims 11 through 16 with the exception of the "pair of parallel side surface portions" of original claim 13 which is not believed to be a necessary part of the combination.

Claim 17, as amended, presents the subject matter of original claim 19 in independent form. Claim 19 and claims 20 and 21 dependent thereon were indicated by the examiner to be directed to allowable subject matter.

Claims 2-4, 6-8, 10, 12-16, 18, and 19 have been cancelled.

Since all claims remaining in the application have been identified by the examiner as being directed to allowable subject matter, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance are solicited.

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